

24th March, 1800.

Read the first and second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House on Wednesday next.

A Bill

To make further provision for the removal and accommodation of the Government of the United States.

- 1 Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of 2 the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the President 3 of the United States shall be, and hereby is authorized and empowered, 4 to direct the various officers belonging to the several Executive Departments of the United States, to be removed to the city of Washington, 6 at any time that he shall judge proper, after the adjournment of the 7 present session of Congress, and before the time heretofore appointed 8 by law for such removal.
- 1 SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That for the accommodation of
- 2 the household of the President of the United States, at the city of
- 3 Washington, a sum not exceeding
- 4 dollars, including the fum of

which

- 5 is the balance remaining unexpended of former appropriations for that
- 6 purpose, shall be, and hereby is appropriated—and that the Presi-
- 7 dent of the United States shall be, and hereby is authorized and em-
- 8 powered to direct to be fold such articles heretofore furnished by the

- 9 United States for the President's household, as may be out of repair,
- 10 unsuitable or unfit for use, and that the proceeds of such sales, together
- 11 with fuch part of the aforesaid sum of
- 12 as he shall judge proper, shall be employed in the purchase of such ar-
- 13 ticles as he shall judge necessary for the accomodation of the President's
- 14 household at the city of Washington.
 - 1 SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That for defraying the expenses
 - 2 incident to the removal of the household of the President of the United
 - 3 States to the city of Washington, a sum not exceeding
 - dollars, shall be and hereby is appropriated.
 - s Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That for the fuitable accomodati-
 - 2 on of Congress at the city of Washington, the Secretary of the Senate
 - 3 and the Clerk of the House of Representatives of the United States,
- 4 shall be, and hereby are, authorized and directed, to cause suitable
- 5 furniture to be forthwith provided for the apartments which are to be
- 6 occupied, in the capitol at the faid city, by the two houses respectively,
- 7 and for the offices and Committee rooms of each; and to cause the said
- 8 apartments, offices and Committee rooms to be furnished in a suitable
- 9 manner, so as to be ready for the reception of Congress on the day fixed
- 10 by law for the removal of the government to the faid city; and that for
- 11 defraying the expenses incident to the furnishing of the said apartments,
- 12 offices and Committee rooms, and to the removal of the books, pa-
- 13 pers and records belonging to the faid offices respectively, there shall be,
- 14 and hereby is, appropriated a sum not exceeding
- 15 dollars,
 - 1 SEC. .5 And be it further enacted, That for the greater conveni-
 - 2 ence of the Members of both Houses of Congress in attending their du-
 - 3 ty in the said city of Washington, and the greater facility of communi-
- 4 cation between the various departments and offices of the government,

5 there shall be made foot-pavements in the said city, in suitable places and 6 directions; and that the faid pavements shall be made by the commis-7 sioners of the said city, under the direction of the Secretaries of the 8 four Executive Departments of the United States, who, or any three 9 of whom, shall forthwith take order therefor, and in such manner, at such 10 places, and in such directions, as they, or any three of them, shall judge 11 most proper for the purposes asoresaid, and shall appoint; and that if 12 the faid Secretaries, or any three of them, shall find, on examination, that 13 there is not in the hands of the faid commissioners a sum sufficient for 14 making the faid pavements, over and above what may have been des-15 tined by the faid commissioners, or may, in the opinion of the faid Se-16 cretaries, or any three of them, be necessary for the accomplishment 17 of other objects necessary for the accommodation of the government or 18 its removal as aforefaid, then the faid Secretaries or any three of them 19 shall be, and hereby are, authorized and required to draw out of the 20 Treasury of the United States, and apply to the purpose of making the 21 faid pavements, any fum which may be necessary therefor, not exceed-22 ing ten thousand dollars; which sum is hereby appropriated for the said

²³ purpose.

¹ Sec. 6. And be it further enacted, That for the purchase of such books
2 as may be necessary for the use of Congress at the said city of Washing3 ton and for fitting up a suitable apartment for containing them, and
4 for placing them therein, the sum of dollars,
5 shall be, and hereby is appropriated; and that the said purchase shall be
6 made by the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Re7 presentatives, pursuant to such directions as shall be given, and such

⁸ catalogue as shall be furnished, by a joint Committee of both Houses

⁹ of Congress to be appointed for that purpose; and that the said books

- is shall be placed in one suitable apartment in the capitol in the said city,
- fit for the use of both Houses of Congress and the Members thereof, ac-
- es cording to fuch regulations as the Committee aforefaid shall devise and
- i; establish.
 - i Sec. 7. And be it further enacted, That the several appropriations
 - a foresaid shall be paid out of any monies in the Treasury of the United
 - 3 States not otherwise appropriated.